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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A case for a household electric appliance, said case comprising: a base having an outer lateral wall provided with a passage; ~~containing a signal light and provided with a passage;~~ a water reservoir disposed above said base; a signal light provided in said base under said reservoir; and a light conducting window mounted in said passage and disposed to be illuminated by said signal light, wherein said window is fixed to said water reservoir.

2. (Original) The case of claim 1, wherein said water reservoir is made of a transparent or translucent plastic material.

3. (Original) The case of claim 2, wherein said water reservoir has a bottom beneath which said signal light is mounted.

4. (Original) The case of claim 1, wherein said water reservoir has a bottom beneath which said signal light is mounted.

5. (Original) The case of claim 4, wherein said window is composed of a tongue that extends from said water reservoir, and said case further comprises a pane of light conducting material disposed in a lateral wall of said reservoir, said pane forming a water level indicator.

6. (Original) The case of claim 5, further comprising a light conducting wall disposed above said signal light and connecting said pane to said tongue.

7. (Original) The case of claim 5 wherein said tongue has a surface provided with grooves.

8. (Original) The case of claim 5 wherein said pane has at least one polished surface.

9. (Original) The case of claim 5 wherein said pane has two upwardly extending ribs laterally delimiting said pane and located at an internal face of said lateral wall of said reservoir.

10. (Currently amended) The case of claim 9 wherein each of said two upwardly extending ribs has a bottom and a top and a thickness that decreases from the bottom to the top, and each of said two upwardly extending ribs merges at the top of said pane into said lateral wall.

11. (Original) The case of claim 3, wherein said window is composed of a tongue that extends from said water reservoir, and said case further comprises a pane of light conducting material disposed in a lateral wall of said reservoir, said pane forming a water level indicator.

12. (Original) The case of claim 2, wherein said window is composed of a tongue that extends from said water reservoir, and said case further comprises a pane of light conducting material disposed in a lateral wall of said reservoir, said pane forming a water level indicator.

13. (Original) The case of claim 1, wherein said window is composed of a tongue that extends from said water reservoir, and said case further comprises a pane of light conducting material disposed in a lateral wall of said reservoir, said pane forming a water level indicator.

14. (Original) The case of claim 13, further comprising a light conducting wall disposed above said signal light and connecting said pane to said tongue.

15. (Original) The case of claim 13 wherein said tongue has a surface provided with grooves.

16. (Original) The case of claim 13 wherein said pane has at least one polished surface.

17. (Original) The case of claim 13 wherein said pane has two upwardly extending ribs laterally delimiting said pane and located at an internal face of said lateral wall of said reservoir.

18. (Currently amended) The case of claim 17 wherein each of said two upwardly extending ribs has a bottom and a top and a thickness that decreases from the bottom to the top, and each of said two upwardly extending ribs merges at the top of said pane into said lateral wall.

19. (Original) The case of claim 1, further comprising a filling device associated with said reservoir.

20. (New) The case of claim 1, wherein said signal light is enclosed by said lateral outer wall.

21. (New) The case of claim 1, wherein said case further comprises a pane of light conducting material disposed in a lateral wall of said reservoir, said pane forming a water level indicator, and said case being constructed to cause said pane to be illuminated by said signal light.